

## **Earth Day Informational Sources & Local Sources for Sustainability**

1. **Mass Recycle.** Our statewide organization focusing on sustainability policy, programs, education, and advocacy. A great site to use in connecting with others on sustainability topics. <https://massrecycle.org/>

MassRecycle is a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit, statewide coalition of individuals, governments, businesses, institutions and nonprofit organizations dedicated to promoting and realizing the vital environmental, social and economic benefits created by reducing, reusing and recycling waste materials, and by increasing the utilization of recycled products.

2. Environment Massachusetts. Environment Massachusetts's mission is to transform the power of our imaginations and our ideas into change that makes our world a greener and healthier place for all. <https://environmentmassachusetts.org/>
3. Wachusett Earthday: My town's local regional recycling center where I feel active in stewarding my area of the world. <https://www.wachusettearthday.org/>
4. Winchester's Recycling Voice: <https://www.winchester.us/196/Transfer-Station-Recycling-Center> Contact: 71 Mt. Vernon Street, Town Hall, 1st Floor  
Winchester, MA 01890

## **Sermon Sources**

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Summary: COVID-19 has changed the way we live and work, as various health and safety restrictions keep more of us at home more often. The resulting changes to our behavior are already impacting the environment around us in myriad ways, according to comparisons of remote sensing data before and during the pandemic collected by NASA, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), and ESA (European Space Agency) Earth-observing satellites and others.

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**PROTECTING OUR PLANET STARTS WITH YOU**

**BIKE MORE DRIVE LESS**  
 When you bike more, you drive less.

**reduce REUSE recycle**  
 Cut down on what you throw away. Follow the three "R's" to conserve natural resources and landfill space.

**choose sustainable seafood**  
 Trees provide food and oxygen. They help save energy, clean the air, and help combat climate change.  
Learn how to make smart seafood choices at [www.FishWatch.gov](http://www.FishWatch.gov).

**PLANT A TREE**

**EDUCATE**  
 When you further your own education, you can help others understand the importance and value of our natural resources.

**CONSERVE WATER**  
 The less water you use, the less runoff and wastewater that eventually end up in the ocean.

**-SHOP-WISELY**  
 Buy less plastic and bring a reusable shopping bag.

**Don't send chemicals into our waterways.**  
 Choose nontoxic chemicals in the home and office.

**Volunteer!**  
 Volunteer for cleanups in your community. You can get involved in protecting your watershed too!

**Long-lasting light bulbs - ARE A - BRIGHT IDEA**  
 Energy efficient light bulbs reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Also flip the light switch off when you leave the room!

**oceanservice.noaa.gov**

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<https://www.wpi.edu/offices/sustainability>